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Reply to Attn of:

General Law Practice Group

TO: Distribution

FROM: Alternate Designated Agency Ethics Official

SUBJECT: Boeing DC Communications Department Annual Evening Reception,  
October 17, 2006

On October 17, 2006, Boeing Washington DC Communications Department will host an evening reception at their Rosslyn Office. Approximately 300 individuals have been invited to attend. The event will be widely attended by officials from other Federal agencies, DoD, congressional office press secretaries, Aerospace Industries Association, and Boeing executives. The estimated cost of the reception, includes all food and beverages, is approximately \$30.00 per person. The reception will allow NASA employees the opportunity to build relationships and improve the lines of communications with other guests and to discuss the accomplishments and progress in aeronautics and space related matters as well as other aspects of common interests.

I find that this event meets the requirements of a "widely attended gathering" as defined in 5 CFR § 2635.204(g). I further determine that there is an Agency interest in having NASA personnel attend the event. Accordingly, NASA employees whose duties do not substantially affect Boeing may accept an invitation for free attendance to the reception for themselves.

NASA employees whose duties may substantially affect Boeing, such as by way of procurement duties, should seek an individual determination pursuant to 5 CFR § 2635.204(g)(3)(1) regarding participation in this event from their local ethics counselor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Andrew Falcon".

R. Andrew Falcon